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REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claims 15-22 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Applicant specifically reserves the right to file one or more appropriate continuing and/or divisional applications drawn to the subject matter of these canceled claims.

Claim 23 has been amended as an independent claim. In addition, it has been amended to recite "wherein the antibody or fragment blocks HIV binding", support for which can be found, for example, in [0086] (page 17).

New claims 36-41 have been added. Support for these new claims can be found, for example, in the original claims 16-20 and 22.

No new matter has been added by these amendments. The Examiner is hereby requested to enter these amendments.

Restriction Requirement

In the Office Action, the Examiner requires the following restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121:

- I. Claims 1-14 and 25-35, drawn to a method of preparing a fully human antibody classified in class 435, subclass 69.6.
- II. Claims 15-22, drawn to a fully human antibody classified in class 530, subclass 387.3.
- III. Claims 23 and 24, drawn to a method for preventing or treating an HIV classified in class 424, subclass 139.1.

In response, Applicant elects Group III without traverse. In addition to claims 23 and 24, new claims 36-41 are also drawn to the elected method.

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In addition, the Examiner required a further election of a single disclosed species for prosecution under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Applicant elects SEQ ID NO:3 without traverse. SEQ ID NO:3 reads upon claims 23, 24 and 36-41 among the claims under consideration.

Early examination of this application on the merits is earnestly solicited. In the event that a telephone conversation could expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at (650) 839-5044.

Enclosed is a \$510 check for the Petition for Extension of Time fee. Please apply any other charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: Sept 20, 2005

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